GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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KENDRIYA VIDYALAYA SANGATHAN
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Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether there have been shortfalls ranging from 45 to 47 per cent in training of teachers during 1997-98 and 2002-03 under the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan set up;

(b) if so, the details thereof alongwith the reasons therefor;

(c) whether the Government is aware of some other financial irregularities in Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan such as retention of unspent grants much in excess of actual requirements, diversion of funds to meet excess expenditure on behalf of sponsoring authorities, transfer of assets of more than 30 closed project schools;

(d) if so, the details thereof; and

(e) the remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI M.A.A. FATMI):

(a) and (b) Yes, Sir. As per the policy of Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan (KVS) every teacher has to attend an In-service Training Course of 21 days after every six years. Due to lack of adequate training facilities and requisite resources, this target could not be achieved. A statement indicating the attendance and shortfall for the year 1997-98 to 2002-03 enclosed.

(c) and (d) The office of the Director General of Audit. General Revenues conducted a review of the Sangathan for the period of 1998-98 to 2002-03 and in their report pointed out financial irregularities regarding retention of unspent grant much in excess of actual requirements, diversion of funds to meet expenditure on behalf of sponsoring authorities and transfer of assets of closed project Vidyalayas etc. The details are as under:

(i) The Sangathan has unspent grant under Non-Plan ranging from Rs. 63.99 crore to Rs. 128 crore during the period from 1997-98 to 2002-03.

(ii) Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan had incurred an amount Rs. 26.52 crore as on March 2003 in excess of the funds received from sponsoring authorities by divesting funds out of the grant provided by Ministry of Human Resource Development.

(iii) Twenty-eight project schools which were closed during 1997-98 to 2002-03 were required to pay Rs. 11.84 crore to KVS as on 31.3.2003 on account of short deposit of expenditure incurred on them. KVS handed over the assets to twenty eight sponsoring authorities without effecting recoveries of Rs. 11.84 crores as on 31st March 2003 payable by these agencies to Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan.

(e) The following remedial measures have been taken to obviate the recurrence of above mentioned problems:

(i) Ministry of HRD have given permission to KVS to retain unspent balance for disbursement of pay and allowances for the month of March/ April of subsequent year.

(ii) The arrears which are to be recovered from Public Sector Undertaking (PSUs), basically pertain to the payment of salaries to the KVS staff. Ministry of Human Resource Development had approached the Cabinet `Secretariat to impress upon the Secretaries of concerned Administrative Ministries of Govt. of India for clearance of arrears due to KVS by PSUs under their control.

(iii) In order to monitor proper utilization of funds allocated and exercise of financial powers delegated to various authorities, the Internal Audit has been strengthened and a revised Audit system has been introduced for conducting the timely Audit in all establishments of KVS.